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SUBJECT: MFA INQUIRY ABOUT A SECOND INDIAN NUCLEAR
ESPLOSION

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1. POUCHING FOR YOUR INFORMATION A COPY OF NEW DELHI
A-146 DATED APRIL 19 WHICH REPORTS AEC CHAIRMAN SETHNA'S
PRESENTATION ON APRIL 16 TO THE PARLIAMENTARY CONSULTATIVE
COMMITTEE ON ATOMIC ENERGY AND HIS SUBSEQUENT REMARKS AT
A NEWS CONFERENCE.

2. THE REMARK THAT GAVE RISE TO THE RADIO COLOGNE REPORT
WAS PROBABLY HIS ANSWER TO A PRESS QUESTION REGARDING
PEACEFUL APPLICATIONS INCLUDING STIBULATION OF OIL
RESERVES. SETHNA REPORTEDLY TOLD THE HINDU CORRESPONDENT
THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY WAS CONSTANTLY LOOKING
FOR VARIOUS AREAS OF APPLICATION. THE TIMES OF INDIA,
PRESUMABLY IN REPORTING THE ANSWER O THE SAME QUESTION,
REPORTS SETHNA SAYING: "WE HAVE BEEN CONSTANTLY ON THE
LOOKOUT FOR VARIOUS SITES." THE SATESMAN REPORTED THAT
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SETHNA WOULD NOT SAY WHERE OR WHEN THE NEXT UNDERGROUND

EXPERIMENT WOULD BE CONDUCTED, BUT THAT MANY SITES HAD
BEEN EXAMINED FOR IT. ALL THIS COMES FROM THE INDIAN
NEWSPAPERS WHICH THE GOP MUST READ. WE HAVE NO OBJECTION
TO YOUR PASSING IT ON PROVIDING YOU MAKE CLEAR
THAT THE SOURCE IS THE INDIAN PRESS.
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